

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the instant application in view of the above amendment and following remarks. Claims 1-3 and 5-21 are pending in the application. Independent claims 1, 14, 17, and 21 are sought to be amended. Claims 22-26 are sought to be canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Entry and consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested. No new matter is believed to have been introduced by this Amendment.

Applicants have made the above Amendment to more particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicants regard as the invention. Based on the above Amendment and the following Remarks, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all outstanding rejections.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

Claims 17-26 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being allegedly unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,678,006 (hereinafter referred to as "Velez") in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,208,350 (hereinafter referred to as "Herrera"). Claims 22-26 have been canceled. Applicant respectfully traverses these rejections with regard to pending claims 17-21 since Velez and Herrera, either taken alone or in combination, do not teach or suggest each element of independent claims 17 and 21 for at least the following reason.

The Examiner has allowed claims 1-16 and stating that the prior art fails to render obvious blending in a first, second and third pass the Y, U and V values of a video signal with a corresponding Y, U, and V values of a subpicture signal. Applicants have amended independent claims 17 and 21 to include the allowable subject matter indicated by the Examiner. Accordingly, Applicants request that the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) be reconsidered and withdrawn with respect to claims 17- 21.

Allowable Claims 1-16

Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for this indication of allowable subject matter. Applicants amended claim 1 to consistently reference "subpicture signal" in the claim. Also, Applicants amended claims 1 and 14 to delete a feature that was added by the Applicants in response to the final office action dated February 6, 2007 and not needed to overcome the prior art per the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter.

INVITATION FOR A TELEPHONE INTERVIEW

The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned, Molly A. McCall, at (703) 633-0931 if there remains any issue with allowance of the case.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit that all of the stated grounds of objections and rejections have been properly traversed accommodated or rendered moot. Thus, Applicants believe that the present application is in condition for allowance, and as such, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections, and allowance of this application.

Respectfully submitted,
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